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Dear Sir:

Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, Applicant for the above-identified application hereby submits legible copies of the following relevant arts along with the FORM PTO-1449 which contains the information required by 37 CFR 1.98(b):

- A. Japanese Patent Application Laid-Open (Kokai) No. 2002-112397 published in Japan on April 12, 2002;
- B. Japanese Patent Application Laid-Open (Kokai) No. JP 5-37998 published in Japan on February 12, 1993;
- C. Japanese Patent Application Laid-Open (Kokai) No. JP 62-22634 published in Japan on January 30, 1987; and
- D. Japanese Patent Application Laid-Open (Kokai) No. JP 5-228142 published in Japan on September 7, 1993.

The above-listed prior arts A through D are all cited in the Notice of Grounds for Rejection issued to the corresponding Japanese Patent Applications (2003-169658, 2003-109659). Copies of the Notices with English translations are enclosed. These prior arts are not

in the English language, but the concise explanation of relevance of this prior art is indicated in the English translations of the Notices. Nonetheless, an English language abstract of the prior arts A through D is attached to each one of the copies thereof.

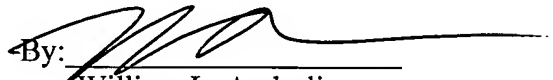
As to the prior art A, an English translation of this prior art is attached to the copy thereof.

Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.97(c)(2), the fee of \$180.00 set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(P) is paid hereby by way of our enclosed check.

It is, therefore, respectfully requested that the Patent Office make a record of these relevant arts and consider them during the prosecution.

Respectfully submitted,

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